



Park's green honour

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AN Anglesea tourist park has achieved an Australian first by teaching families to be more environmentally conscious while on holidays.

Green Globe 21 has recognised BIG4 Anglesea Holiday Park as one of Australia's most environmentally friendly tourist operations.

Owners Tim and Sophie Bone are using various techniques to educate their clientele, including use of worm farms.

"We have worm farms set up at various spots around the park," Mr Bone said.

"We encourage the kids to get involved by bringing their food scraps up and feeding the worms each day."

The Bones signed up to participate in the Green Globe program eight months ago. The first step was to analyse their current environmental practices, including energy use, water consumption and waste disposal.

"Then we implemented many changes to our operations to make a dif-



Tim and Sophie Bone

ference, and set about educating our clientele in environmental care," Mr Bone said.

As well as worm farms, each cabin has information about ways visitors can help reduce waste.

"People are becoming really responsible in their own homes," Ms Bone said.

"We are trying to get them to spread the mess-

age when they are traveling as well," she said.

"By being the first park in Australia to do this, we are essentially providing a blueprint to other holiday parks."

Cathy Parsons, chief executive officer of Green Globe International, says "BIG4 Anglesea Holiday Park is an inspiration to all those people committed to environmentally sustainable tourism".